



## Welcome to our worship service!

Thank you for joining us today. We are so glad you are here! If this is your first time with us, please fill out a connection card from the chair in front of you and place in the offering box in the back of the room. We would love to talk with you and we also have a special gift for you!

### Today's Services:

**8:00 am** - Traditional Worship Service

**9:30 am** - Adult Sunday School

**10:30 am** - Contemporary Worship Service

**10:30 am** - Children's Church (Nursery-4th grade)

### Today's Sermon:

*The Heart of Christmas Series #4*

~ *Love in Action* ~

*John 3:16-17*

*Tony Crouch*

### Communion:

If you are a Christ-follower, you are invited to share with us in remembering the Lord's Supper. You do not need to be a member of First Christian Church to participate. Both the bread and juice are ready for you in all 4 corners of the auditorium.

Please help yourself and take your time.

### **{Today's Meditation: Sharri Kerkhoff}**

### Preaching Schedule

#### **December:**

24 - Jesus is the Heart of Christmas (Tony Crouch)

28 - Until He Finishes the Work (Tony Crouch)

#### **January:**

4 - Celebration Sunday! ~ One service at 9:30 am

### Missions we support:

Abel Sairattanyu family (Thailand)

Jack Swanson family (Chile)

Little Galilee Christian Camp

Roseland Good News Daycare (Ms. Pearl)

Operation Christmas Child

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Weekly Youth Groups:

High School - Sun. 6:30 - 8:00 pm in the shed.

College Age - Tues. 6:00 - 8:00 pm.

Elementary "Equip" - Wed. 6:00 - 7:00 pm in the kid's wing.

Junior High - Fri. 3:30 - 5:00 pm in the shed.

**\*\* Please Note: Youth Groups will resume after January 4th.**

### Christmas Card Exchange:

The Christmas card bags (alphabetical by last name) are on the table outside the office for you to exchange Christmas cards with other church members/regular attenders. Let's share the Love & Joy of Christmas with each other!

### Christmas Eve Candlelight Service:

Wednesday, December 24th at 6:00 pm. Come enjoy a special Christmas Eve candlelight service as we celebrate Jesus' birth! Be sure to invite your family, friends & neighbors! This service will also be live streamed on our Facebook page.

### 2026 Offering Envelopes:

The numbered offering envelopes for 2026 are available for you to pick up in the copy room.

### Office Closed for Holiday:

The church office will be closed this Thursday & Friday. Merry Christmas!!!

### Heads of Ministry:

Please be preparing your end of the year report to share at our Celebration Sunday, January 4th.

### Celebration Sunday & Breakfast:

~ **January 4th** ~

\*\*Breakfast will be served in the foyer starting at 8:00. There is a volunteer sign-up sheet on the table outside the office.

\*\*We will have one service at 9:30 to celebrate together & reflect on all that God has done in 2025.

### Flourish Women's Ministry:

Ladies, Do you want to start the new year right?

It isn't about making resolutions. It is about learning to SOAR.

Join us on Sunday, January 11 at 3:00 and get prepared to SOAR in the new year.



**Church Office Hours:**  
Mon - Thurs 8:00 am - 4:30 pm  
Friday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm  
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December 14, 2025  
In-person Attendance: 69  
Online: 686  
General Fund: \$1,624.00



**December 21, 2025**  
*The Heart of Christmas Series #4*  
~ Love in Action ~

**Loving and Living like Jesus**

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**Key Thought:**

**“Christmas reminds us that God’s love does not wait for to get it right. He comes right where we are and loves us forward.”** Lisa TerKeurst

- 1)** God’s Love is \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 16a)
- 2)** God’s Love is \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 16b)
- 3)** God’s Love is \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 17)

**Notes:**

# **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Sandy Simpson  
Eszter Szabo - Jenni Boyd's ex sister-in-law  
Brenda Harris & Family  
Family of Nikki Guthridge & her sons, Teil & Grant  
Sandy Noerenberg - Friend of Mary Knight  
Kevin Bushur - Doris Pickett's nephew  
Santiago SantaMaria - Shannon Murphy's grandson  
Dustin Gray  
Kevin Alig - Shawn Johnson's father-in-law  
Lynn Albin  
Baby Henry  
Dale Reeder  
Alexis Koester  
Lilly Smith  
Steve Clarkson  
Sandy Weltman  
Judy Martin  
Toby Livingston  
Melissa Lawless  
Ronnie & Linda Schultz  
Brad Hornaday  
Amy McDonald - Bob Utterback's daughter  
Michelle Everhart  
Chris Brown  
Rita Herbert  
Jim & Deb Beeson  
Rob Smock - Friend of Brian & Keri Dean  
Wayne Livingston Jr. - Jodi Livingston's Nephew  
Rachel Romine (Gallardo) - Beth & Craig Romine's daughter

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***\*\*If you have an update or a request to add, please fill out a Connection Card or contact the church office:  
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